

## State Representative CLARENCE E. PHILLIPS D-43rd Representative District



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**Committees:** Appropriations (Subcommittees: Agriculture (Minority Vice Chair); Family Indepen-

dence Agency; Judiciary); Assistant Minority Whip

Biography: Democrat, of Pontiac; lifelong city of Pontiac resident; Pontiac Central High School graduate; Associate of Arts degree Oakland Community College, Auburn Hills; B.A., sociology/psychology; B.A., Secondary Education; secondary teacher certification; master's candidate, Oakland University; JFK School of Government alumnus, Harvard University; wife, Lorene; sons, Kaino and Damani; served 4 years in U.S. Air Force; Vietnam-era veteran; served 10 years in Air Force Reserves as Human Relations instructor; graduate of Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute; teacher in secondary education for 25 years; director of Alternative Education in Oak Park school district for 7 years; elected to Pontiac City Council 3 times, 3 years as City Council President; Pontiac Planning Commission member for 9 years; City Council liaison to Cable Advisory Board for 10 years; member, Welcome Missionary Baptist Church; charter member, Oakland County Veterans Group; member, Pontiac/Oakland Democratic Club; affiliated with Pontiac Schools athletic programs, 25 years; co-founder of Annual Center reunion, 25 years; organized city-wide Law Fair; recipient of Black History Month Community Service Award, Lakeside Achievement Award, Greater Pontiac Community Coalition Award and achievement award from the Black Professional and Business Women Organization; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000.

